108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 1151

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 23, 2003

Mr. Feingold introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Outreach
- 5 Protection Act".

1 SEC. 2. RESCISSION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-

- 2 FAIRS MEMORANDUM.
- 3 (a) Rescission of Memorandum.—The memo-
- 4 randum of the Department of Veterans Affairs dated July
- 5 18, 2002, from the Deputy Under Secretary for Health
- 6 for Operations and Management with the subject "Status
- 7 of VHA Enrollment and Associated Issues" is hereby re-
- 8 scinded. Marketing activities of Directors of health service
- 9 networks (known as "Veterans Integrated Service Net-
- 10 works") of the Department of Veterans Affairs to enroll
- 11 new veterans within their respective networks shall be car-
- 12 ried out without regard to such memorandum.
- 13 (b) Funding Limitation.—No funds available to
- 14 the Department of Veterans Affairs may be used to carry
- 15 out the memorandum referred to in subsection (a) or oth-
- 16 erwise to implement the policy contained in that memo-
- 17 randum.

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